

REMARKS

Applicants have amended the "Reference to Related Applications" paragraph on page 1 of the instant application to delete benefit claims in the specification as filed. For example, this non-provisional application was filed as a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 10/762,915, and also claimed priority under §119(e) to several provisional patent applications, including U.S. Ser. No. 60/469,628 filed May 8, 2003, U.S. Ser. No. 60/474,680 filed May 29, 2003, and U.S. Ser. No. 60/491,019 filed July 29, 2003. These benefit claims have been deleted from the specification. All amendments contained herein are the deletion of benefit claims only, no new benefit claims or other amendments have been added. Accordingly, this submission includes no new matter.

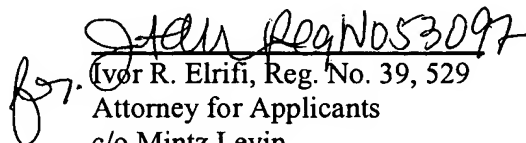
CONCLUSION

On the basis of the foregoing amendment and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. If there are any questions regarding this amendment and remark, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

No fees are believed to be in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 23239-558A (ARC-558A).

Respectfully submitted,

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